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- 1. AUSTRIAN RADIO CARRIED RESUME AT 1900 HOURS AS FOLLOWS: SIX TERRORISTS (FIVE MEN AND ONE WOMAN) NOW BELIEVED INVOLVED INCLUDING ONE WHO RECEIVED BULLET IN STOMACH DURING ATTACK AND UNDERWENT THREE-HOUR OPERATION AND NOW UNDER OXYGEN MASK UNABLE TO BE INTERROGATED. ALONG WITH OTHER TERRORIST DEMANDS (BUS AND DC-9 AT SEVEN A.M. TOMORROW TO CARRY THEM AND SELECTED HOSTAGES TO AN ARAB COUNTRY) THEY DEMAND RETURN OF INJURED TERRORIST TO OPEC HEADQUARTERS. THIS APPARENTLY NOT POSSIBLE SINCE AUSTRIAN DOCTORS STATE TO MOVE HIM WOULD BEFATAL.
- 2. KREISKY BACK IN VIENNA STATED THAT SINCE OPEC MINISTERS, BEING HOSTAGES, OBVIOUSLY CANNOT NEGOTIATE UNCLASSIFIED

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FOR THEMSELVES, GOA MUST NEGOTIATE FOR THEM.

KREISKY SAID MOST IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION IS TO SAVE LIVES AND GOA WOULD ACT ACCORDINGLY ALTHOUGH HE WOULD NOT THEN PREDICT GOA CABINET ACTION. HE EMPHASIZED THAT TERRORISTS ARE DETERMINED GROUP AND THEY MUST TAKE THIS FACT INTO CONSIDERATION.

- 3. IRAQI CHARGE D'AFFAIRES RIYADH AL-AZZAWI, WHO DELIVERED THE ONE HUNDRED SANDWICHES AND FRUIT TO TERRORISTS, SAID THEY SENT BACK SANDWICHES, SAYING COULD NOT EAT PORK AND REQUESTED SANDWICHES BE SENT THAT ALL COULD EAT. CHARGE SAID HE SPOKE WITH ONLY ONE TERRORIST AND THAT HE WAS BROUGHT TO A SOUTH AMERICAN NAMED CARLOS WHOM HE BELIEVED TO BE THE LEADER OF THE GROUP.
- 4. THIRD MAN KILLED, ACCORDING VIENNA RADIO, WAS AN IRAQI NAMED ALI HASSAN, AN OPEC EMPLOYEE.
- 5. TERRORISTS REPORTED TO HAVE TIED HAND GRENADES ON THEIR BODIES AND ATTACHED EXPLOSIVES TO OPEC BUILDING.
- 6. DEPARTMENT PLEASE REPEAT AS DESIRED.MEEHAN

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